

2012 Lights On Afterschool! Breakfast Of Champions

THE POWER OF AFTERSCHOOL AND THE FUTURE OF EXPANDED LEARNING

Presented by the Rhode Island
Afterschool Plus Alliance

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 19, 2012

7:45 – 9:30 AM

RHODES ON THE PAWTUXET
60 RHODES PLACE
CRANSTON, RI 02905

Featuring Keynote Speaker

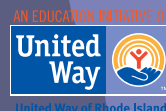


**MILTON
CHEN**

Author of
*Education Nation:
Six Leading Edges
of Innovation in
Our Schools*



RHODE ISLAND AFTERSCHOOL PLUS ALLIANCE



United Way of Rhode Island

WELCOME!

The Rhode Island Afterschool Plus Alliance (RIASPA) is pleased to present the 10th annual Lights On Afterschool! Breakfast of Champions.

This year's theme, "The Power of Afterschool and the Future of Expanded Learning," is a potent reminder of how committed stakeholders who came together to share ideas, build consensus, and pool their talents can result in major transformation. The field has been established, grown exponentially, and demonstrated its worth in contributing to the positive outcomes of children and youth, academically as well as socially and emotionally. However, we must still grow and innovate in order to even better serve students!

At the 10th annual breakfast, we will honor a cavalcade of exemplary afterschool programs, school leaders, and advocates; enjoy thrilling ELO-based youth displays and performances (see page three); and hear the inspiring words of our keynote speaker, Dr. Milton Chen.

Dr. Chen has been an innovator during his career, in his earlier work at Sesame Street and his work at The George Lucas Educational Foundation, home of the idea-rich, outstanding multimedia web site, Edutopia.org. He is also a vigorous champion of afterschool programming. In his book, *Education Nation: Six Leading Edges of Innovation in Our Schools*, he chronicles how afterschool connects to and enhances all six edges.

In addition to his keynote address, Dr. Chen will be leading a technology-based workshop specifically for youth!

We are excited to bring you the Breakfast of Champions. The afterschool world has come far in these past ten years, and is primed to deepen its important work in the next ten. RIASPA is proud to support the field's innovative practices and partnerships that will transform the learning and success of the children and youth of our state.

Sincerely,

Adam Greenman
Executive Director

Joseph Morra
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Schedule of the Day

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| 7:15 – 7:45 | Registration |
| 7:45 – 8:00 | Breakfast and networking ELO Expo |
| 8:00 – 8:05 | Welcome: Adam Greenman, Executive Director, RIASPA |
| 8:05 – 8:10 | Parent speaker |
| 8:10 – 8:15 | Youth Performance |
| 8:15 – 8:40 | Lights On Champion Awards Exemplary Program and School Leader Awards |
| 8:40 – 8:45 | Video presentation: ELO for High-School credit |
| 8:45 – 9:25 | Keynote speaker Milton Chen |
| 9:25 – 9:30 | Closing |
| 9:30 – 10:10 | Book signing by Milton Chen Certificate/PDC pick up |
| 10:15 – 10:45 | Youth Workshop with Milton Chen (for youth ages 12 – 15)* |

*If you are interested in learning more about how youth can participate in this workshop with Milton Chen, please contact Joseph Morra: (401) 444-0615 or joseph.morra@afterschoolri.org.

ELO Expo

Expanded Learning Opportunities (ELO) for high school credit is an innovative project connecting schools with community-based programs to create multiple pathways of learning for high school students. These students engage in creative, rigorous ELO opportunities with community-based partners and receive academic credit for their work. These opportunities are tied to content standards, and student projects have run the gamut from museum installations to radio communications to local environmental exploration.

Youth representing three communities who offer ELO for high-school credit—Central Falls, Providence, and Woonsocket—will be part of the Expo, showcasing their innovative work.

This is a wonderful opportunity to learn more about how ELO for high-school credit can transform and deepen learning in school districts, and help increase both student interest in learning as well as graduation rates.



Keynote Speaker

MILTON CHEN, PhD

Dr. Milton Chen is senior fellow and executive director, emeritus at The George Lucas Educational Foundation (GLEF), a non-profit operating foundation in the San Francisco Bay Area that utilizes its multimedia website, Edutopia.org, and documentary films to communicate a new vision for 21st Century schools. With more than 600,000 monthly visitors, Edutopia.org has become a destination for educators around the world interested in innovation in classroom practices. Dr. Chen served as executive director of

GLEF for 12 years and has been the founding director of the KQED Center for Education (PBS) in San Francisco, a director of research at Sesame Workshop in New York, and an assistant professor at the Harvard Graduate School of Education.

During 2008, he joined a class of 35 Fulbright New Century Scholars conducting research on diversity issues in education. He has been a trustee of the Golden Gate National Parks Conservancy and was appointed by Interior Secretary Ken Salazar to the National Park System Advisory Board to advance their role in STEM and humanities education. Dr. Chen also serves on the board of trustees for Sesame Workshop in New York and is chairman of the Panasonic Foundation in New Jersey.

Dr. Chen's 2010 book, *Education Nation: Six Leading Edges of Innovation in Our Schools*, was selected as one of the 10 best education books that year by the American School Board Journal. Perhaps most importantly, on his 50th birthday, he was named a Jedi Master by George Lucas.

Education Nation: Six Leading Edges of Innovation

Dr. Chen will discuss how school districts and afterschool programs are working together to redesign the American educational system. Programs that take advantage of students' learning time beyond the school day are reinventing the definition of "schooling." Afterschool programs are breaking new ground along six "edges of innovation": 1) the Thinking Edge, 2) the Curriculum Edge, 3) the Technology Edge, 4) the Time/Place Edge, 5) the Co-Teaching Edge, and 6) the Youth Edge.

These Edges address fundamental shifts to our thinking about schooling; ways in which technology is transforming how, when, and where students learn; and roles of educators and students, as afterschool educators become important mentors and guides, and students take on more responsibility for their own learning. These Edges were the framework of Dr. Chen's 2010 book, *Education Nation*.

Dr. Chen will show examples of these innovative practices from Edutopia.org, the Lucas Foundation's multimedia web site and its archive of documentaries.

About the Rhode Island Afterschool Plus Alliance

The Rhode Island Afterschool Plus Alliance (RIASPA), an education initiative of United Way of Rhode Island, is a statewide policy organization with a vision to rethink how, when, and where children and youth learn to ensure their success.

In its effort to enhance partnerships between schools and communities, RIASPA:

- Serves as a bridge between policy and practice in order to increase resources for afterschool, summer learning programs, and other expanded learning opportunities
- Increases public awareness and public will about the importance of these programs
- Fosters strategic program quality improvement in these programs across the state

RIASPA is one of 40 members of the National Network of Statewide Afterschool Networks funded by the Charles Stewart Mott Foundation.

Please visit our web site to learn more about RIASPA's innovative work, its partners, as well as access information about afterschool and summer programming, professional development opportunities, current research, and funding opportunities: www.afterschoolri.org.

Directions to Rhodes on the Pawtuxet 60 Rhodes Place, Cranston, RI 02905 (401) 785-4333

When taking Route 95 North: Take Exit 16. Stay right at the fork in the ramp. Bear right onto Elmwood Avenue. At the first intersection, take a left onto Park Avenue. Follow Park Avenue to its end, and take a right onto Broad Street. Travel $\frac{1}{2}$ mile on Broad Street. When you see a gazebo on your right-hand side, take a right onto Rhodes Place, and follow to the bottom of the hill to park.

When taking Route 95 South: Take Exit 17 (Elmwood Avenue). Take a left at the stoplight onto Elmwood Avenue. At the fourth traffic light, take a left onto Park Avenue. Follow Park Avenue to its end, and take a right onto Broad Street. Travel $\frac{1}{2}$ mile on Broad Street. When you see a gazebo on your right-hand side, take a right onto Rhodes Place, and follow to the bottom of the hill to park.

We strongly encourage carpooling!

Contact Hours Information

RIDE Professional Development Credits (PDCs): The Breakfast of Champions has been approved for two (2) contact hours for Rhode Island-certified teachers.

DCYF/In-service Hours: The Breakfast of Champions has been approved for two (2) contact hours.



Registration Tips

- Payment methods are checks, money orders, or cash. Please make payment payable to **Rhode Island Afterschool Plus Alliance**. (We are unable to accept credit card payments at this time.)
- If you pay with cash, you must come to the RIASPA office to register in person. Please call Joseph Morra ahead of time at (401) 444-0615 to make arrangements. **Cash cannot be dropped off with a registration form without meeting with Joseph.** We appreciate your respecting this request, as we are a small office and not always available to accommodate impromptu visits.
- **Pre-registration is required; on-site registration is not available.**
- You will receive an email confirmation that you are registered. Please provide a current email address on the registration form to facilitate this process.
- If you are registered but not able to attend the breakfast, you may send a colleague in your place. Please call Joseph for further details.
- Questions? Please call Joseph Morra at (401) 444-0615 between the hours of 9:00 AM and 5:00 PM. Thank you!

NOTE: Your registration fee also allows you the opportunity to attend for free a mini-conference in December co-hosted by RIASPA and PASA. Additional and pertinent details about the mini-conference will be emailed to you in November.

REGISTRATION FORM

Registration Deadline: Monday, October 15, 2012

Pre-registration is required. On-site registrations is **not** available.

PLEASE PRINT NEATLY

(Use one form per person, please—feel free to make photocopies of this form for other colleagues.)

NAME: _____

TITLE/POSITION: _____

PROGRAM/ORGANIZATION: _____

PROGRAM ADDRESS

STREET: _____

CITY: _____

STATE: _____

ZIP: _____

PHONE

(Day): _____

(Evening): _____

EMAIL ADDRESS: _____

NOTE: All attendees will be added to RIASPA's database and receive our monthly e-newsletter and information on upcoming events.

☐ **I do not wish to be added to RIASPA's database at this time.**

REGISTRATION FEES

Early bird rate: \$45.00 per person (if postmarked on or before September 28, 2012)

Regular rate: \$50.00 per person

College Student and/or AmeriCorps rate: \$30.00 per person (proof must be supplied to receive this rate: student must be taking at least 4 credits in Fall 2012 semester; AmeriCorps member(s) must supply written confirmation from coordinator of program)

Breakfast is included in the fee. Registration fee is non-refundable.

SUPPORT YOUTH ATTENDANCE!

RIASPA is eager to have middle and high school youth attend the Breakfast of Champions. Would you like to contribute an additional \$20.00 in order to help defray the cost of a youth ticket? If so, please fill out the information below and add the appropriate funds when sending in your registration fee.

☐ Yes, I would like to help _____ youth attend the Breakfast! I have included an additional \$_____ to my registration fee.

Please make your **check or money order** payable to: **Rhode Island Afterschool Plus Alliance**

Mail payment to: RIASPA

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